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Minutes of the Twentieth Meeting, 23 August 1960

1. Executive Session. Following the regular meeting of PROCIB the representatives of non-USIB agencies departed and the USIB representatives went into executive session to discuss covert procurement of publications.

2. ACSI Procurement. Mr. Cooney read a paper (copy attached) summarizing the programs by which ACSI supplements normal procurement channels. After citing selected successes of previous years he stated that the lack of manpower and the difficulty and lack of priority of reproduction service have led to the discontinuation or reduction of many of the programs. In addition, one of the most lucrative sources in the past, the [REDACTED] has dwindled to a small trickle due to 25X1X4 increased Soviet security and lack of energetic guidance from covert procurement channels in Washington. He also stated that the results of ACSI requests to IPC over the past two years have been very disappointing.

3. Reports on Departmental Programs. The Chairman pointed out the difficulty the Committee faces in coordinating procurement programs when it has only a sketchy knowledge of the military services activities in this field. Coordination would be far simpler if Army, Air Force, and Navy would offer overall presentations describing scope, magnitude and cost of their programs.

4. Navy Responsibility. LCDR. Donahue assured the Committee that even though the Navy program for publications procurement was small, it would accept requests from any agency for field procurement which could not be satisfied in any other way.

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